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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT : Meeting with Dr. Robert D. Calkins and Mr. James M. Mitchell of The Brookings Institution

REFERENCE: Memo dtd 26 April 1967 to ExDir-Compt fr D/Security,
subj: [redacted]

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1. After consulting with Mr. Helms and Admiral Taylor about referent memorandum, I met with Dr. Robert D. Calkins and Mr. James M. Mitchell of The Brookings Institution in Dr. Calkins' office at 11 a.m. on 27 April 1967.

2. I explained that we had a mutual problem in connection with the Brookings luncheon and conference scheduled for 28 April 1967 at the CIA Headquarters building. Without mentioning [redacted] name or company, I briefed them on the gist of referent memorandum, at the conclusion of which they expressed a preference for not being told the name of the individual. I said that we hoped they would have information which would permit us to proceed without reservations and that without such information we have a rather difficult problem. They said that unfortunately they do not have other information. In fact, they have only the assurance of a reputable company that this individual is a key employee who will occupy increasingly important positions in the future.

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3. I asked Dr. Calkins' opinion of the situation, and he immediately said that he thought it would be inadvisable under the circumstances for this group to go to the CIA Headquarters. On the other hand, he thought that the group would be unhappy should the whole briefing be canceled and that this in turn might get some publicity. Mr. Mitchell suggested that we compromise by holding the briefing at Brookings and tailoring its contents in any way we choose. I agreed that this seemed to be the best solution and undertook to clear it with Mr. Helms. (This I subsequently did.)

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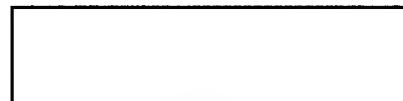
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4. At the conclusion of our conversation Mr. Mitchell requested that this information be restricted to the three of us. I assured him that this would be in accordance with the Agency's preference. He said that he would not need to give his people a reason for the change in schedule. I suggested, however, that he put the onus on us by saying that we have a group of out-of-town people working on a special paper and that, because the group is taxing our facilities, we requested that the briefing be held at Brookings. He appreciated this, and in subsequent conversations with him and Mr. Walter Held, I took this position for the benefit of Mr. Held and anyone else who might have been monitoring the telephone calls.

5. Dr. Calkins and Mr. Mitchell were completely understanding of our dilemma, and it was my impression that they were no more anxious to get this kind of publicity than we were.



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Remarks:

Colonel White:

In the absence of any adverse information since 1949 I suggest we handle [redacted] the same as the other Brookings conferees and I see no reason to change the candid nature of our discussions.

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